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MCRAIY-COATING)	
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the accompanying information is being submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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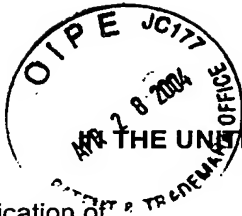
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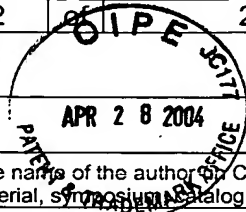
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Title: A method of depositing a local MCrAlY-coating

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Submitted herewith is a Search Report/Examination Report issued in a corresponding foreign patent application by the

European Patent Office (x)

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1. We wish to make of record the certain citations listed in the Search Report/Examination Report in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97.

2. The relevance of each listed item with regard to the different claims of the above-identified application according to the opinion of the Search Authority/Examination Authority, is indicated in the Search Report/Examination Report

by reference to certain categories which are explained on the Report sheet or in MPEP on page 1800 - 55, resp. (x)

3. The claims as filed in the above-identified U.S. patent application

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the claims for which the Search Report/Examination Report has been established.

4. Copies of the references cited are enclosed herewith.

All citations ☒ (x)

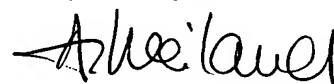
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5. English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English references are enclosed herewith, if such translation is readily available.

6. No copies are enclosed herewith of references, which are characterized by an "A" in the Search Report/Examination Report, since "A" indicates that such reference is not relevant for the invention. ☐ ()

Additionally, copies of the references cited in the specification are enclosed. ☐ ()

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Translation of the explanations of enclosure 2 of the search report of the European Patent Office ("Europäisches Patentamt") explaining the symbol letters stating the relevancy of the cited references:

Explanations

Column 1: Category of Named Documents

- X: Reference which by itself is considered to have special significance
- Y: Reference which in combination with another reference in the same category is considered to have special significance
- A: Technological background
- O: Disclosure not in writing
- P: In-between literature
- T: Theories or principles basic to the invention
- E: Older patent document published on or after filing date
- D: Reference cited in the patent application
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Column 2: Identification of document, specifying the relevant portions, if necessary

Column 3: Concerned claims
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